



CHICAGO COIN CLUB *Chatter*

MEETS THE SECOND WEDNESDAY

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636th MEETING

JANUARY 12, 1972

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636th Meeting *** Room 414 (Fourth Floor) Conrad Hilton Hotel, 720 S. Michigan *** 8:00 p.m.

DECEMBER MEETING NOTES

The December 8 dinner meeting at the Wishing Well Restaurant was a most pleasant event for 64 members and guests. The meal was excellent and the fellowship deserved the same adjective. Several seldom-seen members and a few rarely-seen spouses were there; which we hope is an indication that they will attend regular meetings more often in the future. Hosts Lee and Virginia Hewitt were thanked for their display of devotion to the Club.

*** The formality of a business session was observed, the important part of which was the election, by a unanimous vote, of those nominated by the committee. See the heading of this issue of the CHATTER for their names. *** Previously proposed applicants William M. Gould and David Silberman, Jr., both of Chicago, were approved for membership. We do welcome them and urge both to attend meetings so that we may become acquainted. *** Exhibits by Arthur Allen, Gerda Birkholz, Harry Boosel, Alan Feinberg, James Harris, Gary Krug, Glenn Smedley and Frank Zaylik were enjoyed.

ABOUT MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

Bernard Marshfield brought his bride, Elaine, to the December meeting and properly presented her application for membership. Disregarding the usual formalities, she was accepted into the Club with the full approval of the members present.

My good intention to name the infrequently-seen members who attended the dinner-meeting has gone awry. Or, if you want the whole truth, I failed to make a list of them. However, I will name a few with the full knowledge that some will be missed. There was C. Sam Carlson, member 221, who's close to Lee Hewitt in years of membership; Jasper and Mrs. Fiorenza of Rockford; Magdalena Jonas, whose late husband Ernie was charter member 18 of the Club; LeRoy Kurtzeborn, the "Stradivari"

of plastic holder makers; Jules and Mrs. Marshfield (it's about time for the annual audit, Jules); and the Michael M. Powills (Mike holds membership #180 but refuses to become "old.")

January birthdays include those of Clifford Lindall, 21st, and Elston Bradfield, 28th. Evelyn Hausske celebrates (?) hers February 4th.

MAKING A MINT

That is the caption of an article in the Dec. 20 issue of Newsweek. It treats of "a new set of baubles glittering from private mints: Commemorative Medals" and considers mainly "The Franklin Mint, creator and main beneficiary of the craze." Not exactly laudatory are such phrases as "a host of imitators (of Franklin Mint) hawking their wares," and "A procedure designed to create instant scarcity value," and finally "It's too early to tell if medals are a good investment...you should wait ten years and then see what the situation is."

This final statement implies, it seems to me, that the subject medals are something entirely new (they are only in their volume and variety) and that there has been no previous experience in medal collecting. On the other hand, if one keeps in mind that collecting medals for "a good investment" has not been prevalent in the past, perhaps the "wait and see" cautionary advice is apt. In the meantime, I'll stay with the older medals that have an aura of aged beauty, historical significance and individuality about them.

REMEMBER - The January 12 meeting will be the regular date and time, but in Room 414 in the Conrad Hilton Hotel, 720 S. Michigan.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!



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FEBRUARY 9, 1972

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633rd MEETING : BELMONT ROOM : 2nd FLOOR SOUTH : PICK CONGRESS HOTEL

JANUARY MEETING NOTES

Our January 12 meeting was held at the Conrad Hilton Hotel in a very comfortable room that even had its own private "bath" room. Retiring Prexy Lee Hewitt, only a few days out of confinement by a "flu" illness, was prompt in calling upon Past President Harry X Boosel to install the officers elected at the December meeting. Harry performed the ceremony very properly and the meeting continued with President James Budd in the chair. *** The following annual awards, in the form of beautiful medals by the Medallic Art Company, were presented: Literary Award, Gerda Birkholz; Medal of Merit, James L. Grebinger; Richard McP. Cabeen Meetings Exhibits Award (medal mounted on plaque), silver to Gerda Birkholz, bronze to Harry Boosel; and Past President's medal to Lee F. Hewitt, to whom the members extended thanks for his services as president during the past year. Plaques carrying a restrike of the Lincoln medal by Rispra and a suitably inscribed plate were presented to those who gave us meeting programs in 1971. They were: Arthur Allen, Gerda Birkholz, Harry Boosel, Patricia Ferko (Cleveland, Ohio), Lee Hewitt, Gary Krug, Benjamin Odesser and Leonard Stark. *** The application of Fred Miller of Chicago for membership was read and held over to the next meeting for action. *** Exhibitors were Gerda Birkholz, Dr. Alan Feinberg, Walter Nemecek and William Pettit. *** Glenn Smedley reminded A.N.A. members of the contributions of numismatic material being solicited for an auction in furtherance of its museum at headquarters in Colorado Springs. *** There was no scheduled program but several members gave impromptu comments and anecdotes about our hobby and their experiences in it.

MOSTLY ABOUT MEMBERS

Leonard Stark has been awarded the Numismatic Literary Guild Editor's 1971 Class A award for the excellence of his weekly column in the Chicago Tribune. Congratulations, Leonard!

William Langan, member 826, died on December 30, according to word received by Secretary Baker in mid-January. Mr. Langan seldom attended meetings since becoming a member about 3 years ago so was not widely known. We understand that he held membership in A.N.A. and T.A.M.S. also.

Gus H. Lind, member 380, reveals that he had his 83rd birthday on January 19. Gus says his health is good but he doesn't get around much. Best wishes, Gus, we do think of you every time we sign the meeting register.

Elston Bradfield went into the West Side V.A. Hospital late in January for treatments. A card from you will let him know that you care. The hospital is at 820 S. Damen Ave., Chicago 60612 (Ward B, Room 800).

With their dues payments, old-timers Paul Brumm and Clyde Grimm sent regards to friends. Best wishes to you fellows, too.

Dr. James I. Lore has transferred to the V.A. Hospital in Marion, Ind. We hope you'll keep in touch and drop in to a meeting now and then.

Dorys Eklund has joined the Floridians in Leesburg in the northern part of the Sunshine State.

B. Dreiske and Kurt Eckstein invite members who get to the Pompano Beach area to drop into their "Collectors' Corner" at 2433 E. Atlantic Blvd.

February birthdays include those of Tillie Boosel, 2nd; Evelyn Hausske, 4th; Adeline Bebee, 22nd; and William Hoppe, 28th. Many more happy ones to each of you!

President Budd is planning a program for the February meeting (9th) but can't announce details yet. Remember - you can contribute to worthwhile meetings by exhibiting a few interesting items.



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638th MEETING

MARCH 8, 1972

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638th MEETING

OXFORD ROOM

1st FLOOR SOUTH

PICK CONGRESS HOTEL

FEBRUARY MEETING NOTES

The February 9 meeting presented an enigma: There doesn't seem to be much to report yet it was an interesting and lively meeting. *** The application of Fred Miller of Chicago was approved and he was welcomed into the Club with the hope that we will see him at meetings regularly.

*** A variety of fine and interesting exhibits were presented by Arthur Allen, Gerda Birkholz, Harry Boosel, James Dook, Lee Hewitt, William Pettit and Glenn Smedley. *** William Pettit gave a most interesting talk on counterfeiting as "the second oldest profession." Presented in generally chronological order, he told of incidents of counterfeiting coins from ancient times to the present, and of paper money and stamps throughout their history of use. While generally carried out by individuals or very small groups for financial gain, Pettit cited cases where notions at war have resorted to extensive counterfeiting of an enemy's currency to undermine his economy. This being an extensive and many-faceted subject a number of members made comments and raised questions following the formal talk. For example: There have been instances of replicas and copies of coins being made for educational purposes, without any intent to defraud anyone. Are these to be considered as counterfeits? Our government takes a dim view of anything made "in similitude" of our money - metal or paper - and classes such pieces as counterfeits whether for fraudulent purposes or not. *** While not mentioned at the meeting, there is a bill (H.R. 10600) before Congress now to outlaw the manufacture or sale of "imitation or reproduced collectors items... not plainly marked 'reproduction' and marked with the calendar year of manufacture." It has the support of many hobby groups, including the American Numismatic Association and the Society of Paper Money Collectors.

PERSONALS

Word has been received from Philip More that his numismatic library will be sold at auction by Parke-Bennet in New York City on March 9. Phil said he will be on hand to greet "my bidding friends."

Birthdays in March include those of Jean Bradford, 3rd; Bruno Rzepka, 7th; Helen Brown, 8th and both Dr. James Lore and Charles Ricard, 19th.

VERY PERSONAL: To those few who have not paid their dues, please do so promptly if you wish to get future issues of the CHATTER. Resident members, \$5.00; Junior and Non-resident, \$1.50; and Associate, \$1.00. Send to Mrs. Baker at address above.

PRESIDENT BUDD'S MESSAGE

What happened to the Chicago Coin Club I joined about ten years ago? That Club was a vital living thing; as I remember the average attendance must have been between fifty and sixty. When there was an organized activity, like running a coin convention, a large group of members volunteered to work, and their feelings were hurt if they were denied the privilege of serving. There seemed to be an unlimited supply of papers to be presented by our members at meetings. The exhibits were from a varied group. When a visitor attended, various members would approach him, making sure he was introduced and made to feel welcome. How long has it been since you viewed the Club in the impression I had then?

Is this venerable old Club dying? I believe it might unless each and every member tries to make it his Club. Each must do his part to make the meetings interesting to every other member so he will want to attend, and not consider it a place to go when he has nothing better to do.

What is the solution to this problem? I don't have all the answers, so I would appreciate hearing from any member (especially the new ones) who has recognized any problem area and/or has any solutions to offer. Drop me a line or tell me at the meeting.

Here is one suggestion for improving the Club: Add new members. But to attract new members we must first create an environment that will really attract visitors and make them want to join.

James R. Budd, Mid-American Computer Corp., 640 N. LaSalle Street, Chicago, Il. 60610.

Member Harry Boosel (Mr. 1873) will present the program at the March 8 meeting on the numismatic aspects of the 1873 visit of the Shah of Persia to London. Harry will be guest speaker at the March 10 meeting of the Oak Park Coin Club, Recreation Center at Ridgeland and Adams Streets in Oak Park.

Three small parcels left on chairs at the February meeting were locked in the exhibit case shipper. Owners may retrieve them at the March meeting.



CHICAGO COIN CLUB *Chatter*

MEETS THE SECOND WEDNESDAY

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639th MEETING

April 12, 1972

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639th MEETING ** BELMONT ROOM ** 2nd FLOOR SOUTH ** PICK CONGRESS HOTEL

MARCH MEETING NOTES

The March 8 meeting was one of the shortest meeting ever, we missed some of the news from some of our more regular members who were not in attendance. *** Two applications for membership, Donald Kagin and Paul Kaplan were presented to the Club for the first time. If the name of the first sounds familiar, it should be, he works for the firm of Hollinbeck-Kagin of Des Moines, Iowa one of our countries older dealerships noted for their auctions. *** We had one guest, Paul Gallagher. We hope to see him again. *** A small but quite interesting group of exhibits were shown. Our indefatigable Gerda Birkholz exhibited a group of medals issued to rebuild churches which had been destroyed. An issue of an Italian city portraying the city in flames was the offering of David Schechter. A 1721 Riksdaler of Frederick I of Sweden issued to commemorate the second centennial of the introduction of the Reformation into Sweden was shown by Bill Pettit. Tying into our previous program, James Doak showed some counterfeit coins. Chester Poderski showed one of the silver collectors plates. *** Another chapter in the unfolding saga of the year 1873, was the program presented by Mr. 1873, Harry X Boosel. The story was based on the first visit of a Mohammedan ruler to London when the Shah of Persia, Nasser-Ed-Deen landed in England June 18, 1873. Among Numismatic items displayed were a 76mm bronze medal of the Shah engraved by Wyon and two tokens commemorating the visit. An oddity, a large cent with the reverse shaved and stamped with the date June 18, 1873 was also shown. Is it possible this was done for the Shah's visit? Of historical note was the deposing of the prime minister of Persia. The Mohammedan priests had opposed his visit to the infidel world.

The minister had also been responsible for causing the Shah's wives to be sent home at the start of the trip. The uproar caused by the opposing factions which greeted the Shah on his return necessitated this action.

PERSONALS

The editor has records of only two members who have birthdays in April. Judy (Sabel) Lessner, 21st; and C. Sam Carlson, 22nd. *** It was quite a shock to pick up a copy of Coin World and read an article on one of our members, August Hauske, being in the hospital following a heart attack. I am happy to report that he is now at home and doing well. We hope he will be feeling well enough in the near future to join his many friends at one of our meetings. *** Another missing face at our last meeting was Glenn Smedley who was at ANA headquarters in Colorado Springs helping prepare copy for the new library catalog. Members will see notice of its availability in the April issue of the Numismatist, and should request a (free) copy of it promptly.

NOTE

In the March issue of the CHATTER mention was made of the bill (H.R. 10600) before Congress to outlaw the manufacture or sale of "imitation or reproduced collectors items...note of plainly marked 'reproduction' and marked with the calendar year of manufacture." The bill has the support of various groups including the ANA.

In the March 21 issue of Numismatic News there appears a letter to the editor from Gene Godsoe against this bill. His arguments are the collectors should have sufficient knowledge to know when the coins they buy are authentic. He fears the cost of the the huge government bureau which might arise from this legislation. Perhaps some of our readers would like to answer this letter.



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640th MEETING

MAY 10, 1972

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640th MEETING

BELMONT ROOM

2nd FLOOR SOUTH

PICK CONGRESS HOTEL

APRIL MEETING NOTES

There wasn't much business transacted at the April 12 meeting but we had a good program, interesting exhibits and lots of good-fellowship. The attendance of 30 included 6 guests. Exhibits were by Harry Boosel, President Budd, Alan Feinberg, Wm. Pettit, Dave Schecter and Glenn Smedley. *** What can we do to induce others members to exhibit?? About a dozen "regulars" can be counted upon to exhibit frequently but most others stay in the "silent majority". *** The 1970 silver Richard Cabeen Award (1st place) for meeting exhibits was presented to Wm. Pettit (delayed due to a mix-up in ordering it). Winner of the 1970 bronze award, Gerda Birkholz, was not present at this meeting. *** Dr. Saul B. Needleman, a professor at North Western University, gave a most interesting illustrated talk on ancient history as revealed by coins. Many of the slides were of rare and beautiful coins, covering some thousand years after 500 B.C., but Dr. Needleman concentrated on their historical significance rather than on the coins themselves. Those at the meeting thanked Dr. Needleman of Highland Park for his fine presentation.

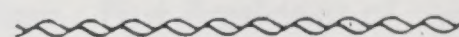
PERSONAL NEWS

August Hausske, who was hospitalized recently following a heart attack, is taking things easy at home and finding life lonesome. Visit him or send a card to him at 7021 N. Medford Ave., Chicago, Il. 60646.

Following an A.N.A. board meeting in Atlanta, Florence and I visited Blanche and Harold Klein in Clearwater. Most pleasant visit, with us northerners finding it hard to remember that it wasn't summertime.

Thanks to Pearl Kopicki for a card from Hawaii and to Al and Gerda for theirs from Eastern U.S. Hope their trips were wonderful.

My record of CCC members' birthdays in May is a blank, but Al Birkholz has one June the 8th.



COMMERCIALS

The P.N.G. has scheduled its annual fall show in the Pick-Congress Hotel, October 19-22. If asked, would the Club be interested in helping PNG stage some educational activity, including exhibits? Let's discuss it at the next meeting.

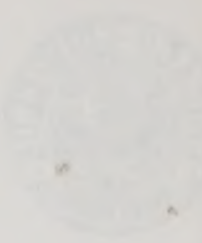
President Budd, Vice President Pettit and your editor were among those invited to lunch at the Museum of Science and Industry, April 25 at which Mr. Gerald Fletcher presented a British millenium set of proof coins to Museum President Daniel MacMaster. Also present from the numismatic fraternity were Chester Krause, Jess and Mrs. Peters and David Shapiro.

Mr. Fletcher is Managing Executive of Numismatics of the Royal Mint, London, and Chicago was one of several cities he is visiting to promote sales of the Mint's millenium proof sets. Of the pre-decimal coins of England, the coins in the set are dated 1970 and, we were told, are the last of the old style coins that will ever be minted. The sets, in plastic holders with a very nice brochure, will sell at \$8.75 postpaid, and may be ordered (limit of 3 per person) from the North American Bureau, Royal Mint of Great Britain, P.O. Box 700, Ben Franklin Sta., Washington, D. C. 20044 after May 15. All agreed the coins are beautiful and reasonably priced.



Art Blase, Past President of Oak Park Coin Club, will give an illustrated talk (slides) on Mexican coins at the May 10th meeting. This is a fine presentation by one who knows the subject well.

CHICAGO COIN CLUB Charter



DATE	MEETING	MEMBERS
APRIL 12, 1972	MEETING	MEMBERS
MAY 10, 1972	MEETING	MEMBERS

There wasn't much business transacted at the April 12 meeting and we had a good program. The following business was done at the meeting:

The business of the club was discussed and the following resolutions were passed:

- Resolved that the club should continue to hold its meetings on the first Tuesday of each month.
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641st MEETING

June 14, 1972

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641st MEETING GRANT PARK ROOM 3rd FLOOR NORTH PICK CONGRESS HOTEL

MAY MEETING NOTES

The May 10 meeting had a little more business than has transpired at recent meetings. Editor Smedley reported on his contact with the Professional Numismatists Guild. That group asked if the CCC would be interested in participating with them on their show to be held October 19-22 in the area of educational program and exhibits. With the philosophy of "the family who plays together stays together" it would be a good idea for us to participate. It has been some time since the club has worked together on some project, and this might be just what we need to instill some new life.

Glenn also reported that the club had received a feeler from the Museum of Science and Industry about a permanent exhibit. *** President Budd mentioned that he had just been handed the audit report for last year's operations and said that he would appreciate hearing from any member who had ideas in raising funds.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our auditor Jules Marshfield for his usual outstanding job.

The financial statement as filed with the Internal Revenue Service is included with this Chatter. I would like to emphasize that we operated at a loss last year. Membership dues does not cover the costs of the Chatter and usual meeting expenses.

It was intended that the \$5,000 that was donated by Mr. Cabeen would be invested and only the interest be used for awards and related expenses.

Note that with a repeat of the current operations, we will have dipped into the principal of the Cabeen money for operations. *** A discussion was held on the suggestion of one of our members that CCC might take the lead in organizing the area clubs into an organization similar to the Metropolitan Washington or the San Diego area organizations.

This type organization could organize a large show to further numismatics in the area. *** Attendance was around 30 including 3 visitors. One of our long time now non-resident members, Mike Dolnick was present. *** Exhibits were presented by Arthur Allen, Gerda Birkholz, Harry Boosel, Jim Budd, Alan Feinberg, J. Thomas Nolan and William Pettit.

Gerda Birkholz was belatedly presented with the 1970 Richard Cabeen Award for meeting exhibits. *** Art Blase, Past President of the Oak Park Coin Club presented an enjoyable talk, illustrated with slides on the numismatics of Mexico. The talk covered the subject totally from the primitive types like the cocoa beans which circulated as a medium of exchange to the modern issues.

PERSONAL NEWS

The only member's birthday in June for which we have a record is Al Birkholz on the 8th. July birthdays before the next meeting are Aubrey Bebee, 9th; and Dennis Forgue, 10th.

As this is being written, Editor Smedley is back in Colorado Springs for a three or four week stay at A.N.A. headquarters giving of his talents toward the success of that organization.

COMING EVENTS

Following our June Meeting, the C.O.I.N. (Council of International Numismatics) convention opens in Los Angeles, June 16. This convention is unusual in that US material is forbidden on the bourse floor and the entire show is built on foreign material. President Budd and Vice President Pettit will be attending with our president scheduled to present a program on exhibit judging.

With the warm weather here, my thoughts are turning to the approaching ANA Convention to be held in New Orleans, August 15-19 at the Jung Hotel. This is usually the numismatic high point of the year and the CCC has always been well represented at this event.

As mentioned previously, President Budd is scheduled to present a program "How to Judge Numismatic Exhibits" at the COIN Convention in Los Angeles, so the June meeting will provide a sneak preview of that talk. It will be illustrated with slides of an exhibit that took Best in Show honors at the 1970 ANA Convention.

For those who are not interested in being a judge, it might provide an idea of what judges look for if you are planning to exhibit competitively.



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642nd MEETING

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642nd MEETING

BELMONT ROOM

2nd FLOOR

PICK CONGRESS HOTEL

JUNE MEETING NOTES

The June 14 meeting continued with the trend of the May meeting with even more business discussion. It was reported that various members were investigating alternate meeting sites. A lengthy discussion ensued on the topic of auctions. It was generally felt that all members would like to see the auction return to the club meeting.

Past recent auctions have not proven too successful. Until club membership grows in the area of beginning collectors, it is doubted that the sales would do well for the consignors.

A suggestion was presented that we should try a donated sale. It was decided that this would be a good way of testing the auction market at a club meeting without the worry of protection of the lot.

In addition, it might add to the club treasury. If this sale should prove successful we would probably return to regular type sales on a more frequent basis. Since we expect lower club attendance during the summer vacation months, we will schedule the donated sale in the Fall. Members are asked to start thinking of material to donate to that sale.

*** It was also reported that the Board had recommended that due to the present condition of the numismatic market, it would be advisable for the CCC to try a coin show next year. We are now seeking volunteers to work on this show.

After the General Chairman has been selected, work could proceed on the selection of the site and date. *** President Budd presented the program "How to Judge Numismatic Exhibits". Using slides of the Best in Show exhibit at the 1970 ANA Convention together with the judges score sheet to be used for the first time at the 1972 ANA Convention, it was demonstrated how to proceed through an exhibit. *** Two new members were welcomed into membership, Paul Gallagher of Hammond, Indiana and Gregory Gaskill of Chicago. We hope they enjoy the association.

Exhibitors at the June meeting were: Gerda Birkholz, Harry Boosel, Marjorie Baker, Jim Budd Tom Nolan and William Pettit. We are as usual indebted to our loyal group of exhibitors. We wish more members would bring some of their material to share with other members.

PERSONAL NEWS

July birthdays of record are: Aubrey Bebee, 9th; Dennis Fogue, 10th, and both Ralph Goldstone and Glenn Smedley, 13th.

COMING EVENTS

For members who plan to attend the 81st, ANA Convention in New Orleans, August 15-19 and wish to stay at the convention hotel, the Jung Hotel, 1500 Canal Street, New Orleans, La. 70140, it would be wise to write the hotel as soon as possible for reservations. It is reported that space is getting tight.

New Orleans is one of my favorite cities to visit. It abounds with historical sights, including the old branch mint. Gastronomically, the city has some of the countries finest restaurants, particularly for those who like the French cuisine.

Something I recommend for everyone to try is the French doughnuts and coffee at the French Market by the waterfront. The doughnuts are hot from the stove. For those who wish to exhibit, Robert L. Hendershott, P.O. Box 929, Clearwater, Fla. 33517 is exhibit chairman and can furnish all details for exhibiting.

Back from the A.N.A. headquarters in Colorado Springs, and before he journeys back, Glenn Smedley has promised us a program for the July meeting.

As most of you know, Glenn has done considerable research in the area of art on bank notes. As a collector of coins and medals, he will discuss art in relation to that type medium.



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643rd MEETING

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643rd MEETING

BELMONT ROOM

2nd FLOOR EAST

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JULY MEETING NOTES

Discussion on a possible new meeting site continued at the July 12 meeting. As usual in such matters, there seems to be no consensus of opinion on the question. It would appear that the suburbanites would prefer an outlying location and the city dwellers prefer the central location.

It was suggested by Lee Hewitt that the question may not be that of pleasing the present membership, but that of the possibility of increasing our regular attending membership base that an outlying location might create.

An experimental meeting without any future commitment will be tried in the Fall if arrangements can be made. *** On the question of membership, we had two guests in attendance, Janice Morris of Beecher, Illinois and D. Frank Elam of Calumet Park. Both had been searching for a coin club for some time when a visit to Rareco gave them the information on our club.

A rather spirited discussion ensued concerning the lack of publicity given to local coin club activities by the "Numismatist" official organ of the ANA.

In past years the "Numismatist" devoted space to meetings of the various clubs. In recent years this type of reporting was dropped from that publication and moved to the Club Bulletin which does not enjoy widespread circulation.

In fact, the Club Representative of the CCC has yet to receive a single issue in the two years he has held that position.

Editor Smedley stated that he would find out the possibility of using the ANA membership list of the Chicago area to mail an invitation to attend our meetings. *** The application for membership of Frank J. Novak of Midlothian was given the first reading.

July is the month historically that attendance is low, and this year was not an exception. This was also reflected in the number of exhibitors, but we did have a new face among those who did.

Frieda Schnell exhibited a medal from her collection. It was a fascinating memorial to three heroes at sea. Dave Schechter brought another coin with Hebrew inscription, one of his specialties. This time it was a Saxony specimen. President Budd showed another of his city-view medals, one of Vienna. All of the members seem to enjoy it when a member shares items from his collection with them.

Glenn Smedley presented the program on Art in Medals. Slides were shown of examples of some of the greatest medallists of all periods. As might be expected, the work of Victor D. Brenner was well represented. Glenn has a facility for making his subjects live.

PERSONAL NEWS

August birthdays of record feature a husband and wife team of Mrs. R. S. Yeoman 8th and R. S. Yeoman 15th. Harry Boosel celebrates his birthday on the 17th while Don Doswell is the 26th.

A September birthday prior to our next meeting is Gerda Birkholz the 6th whom we missed at the last meeting due to her surgery. She is now at home and we hope will be back with us soon.

We received the belated news that Ben Odesser had a cardiac complication but was back at his bourse table.

COMING EVENTS

August 2 - 5 the Canadian Numismatic Association in conjunction with the Canadian Paper Money Society will hold their convention at the Holiday Inn in Toronto. Our friends to the North hold quite a show. *** As announced in the last Chatter, the convention of the year, the 81st ANA will be at the Jung Hotel, New Orleans, August 15-19.

If a week of conventioning isn't enough for you, you might stop in St. Louis on the way to New Orleans, August 11-13 for the Missouri Numismatic Society 11th Annual Coin Festival at the Gateway Hotel. *** Member Don Doswell has written to say that members may wish to partake of some of the southern (Illinois) hospitality at the Illinois Numismatic Association annual convention in Decatur, Sept. 30-Oct. 1 to take place at the Decatur Holiday Inn.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Member Fred Miller is interested in completing his walking liberty half collection. Naturally he is missing the keys 1919 and 1921D. Any member who would like to do some trading in this area should contact Fred. *** Don't forget that we are planning a donated lot auction in the Fall. Please bring your donations to the September meeting or mail to Secretary Baker so that they can be cataloged.

The article which follows appeared in the Chicago Daily News of Saturday, February 24th and is submitted here for the edification of those of our members who might find it interesting. Your comments about this, and other numismatic articles which will be printed in conjunction with the Chatter would be appreciated.

"The time has come when the stamp collector ought to take a hard look at the material being offered for his hobby dollars. Never before have some professionals used such sharp practices to peddle gaudy, odd-sized and queerly shaped stickers. These are no more postage stamps than were the bottle labels and picture cards used by yesteryears manufacturers of beer, cigarets and candy bars.

It's bad enough to see the huge production of paper inscribed 'postage' and sold exclusively thru the philatelic agencies rather than thru domestic postoffices. Many of these stickers also have excessive 'face values' unrelated to existing rates. For example French colonies that are now African republics turn out 200, 500 and 1000 franc air mail adhesives where normal charges are but 85 francs for 5 grams.

Worst of all is the high pressure salesmanship. Many clever gimmicks are used to separate the uninformed and gullible from their money in the mistaken anticipation that they are making a profitable investment. Some of these gimmicks are:

1. Announcing that issues will be available for only a very limited time. With a dream of future profits, collectors rush to buy usually more specimens than they need - and discover that many others did the same thing. Then a glutted market drives prices down instead of up.
2. Announcing that specific quantities will be issued. This tactic is a certain sales stimulus and leads to buying stampedes. Experienced, responsible postal officials protect themselves and collectors and insure their integrity by not limiting even special issues. Announcements clearly state figures of 'initial printings'. Should any unexpected run develop, they can make additional printings without breaking faith with the public.
3. Publicizing the 'destruction of surplus stocks' after an issue has been withdrawn from sale. The ruse implies a scarcity of past issues to attract more buyers of future sets. Several times during the past few years, one professional 'philatelic agency' of an African republic released such news. Since then a British wholesalers' trade periodical has been carrying weekly advertisements offering 'remainder stocks' of these very issues at prices below those charged at time of the stamps' release.
4. Announcing that supplies of certain issues have been 'sold out' and returning remittances to casual customers while insiders obtain all they need. The deception becomes apparent when, a short time later, more of the same stickers, but with some sort of overprint, are released.
5. Advertising to buy obsolete speculative issues from original buyers at a substantial margins above new issue prices. Most dealers regularly buy stamps they need for stock and are anxious for all they can get. But some manipulators publish 'buy advertisements' solely to create a deceptive market condition to boost sales of their own stocks. Should some stamps be offered at the advertised prices, the vendor is invariably told, "Sorry, but we have already purchased as many as we needed".

Three times in as many months, the typesetter of a philatelic periodical submitted small lots of speculative material to a dealer who advertised 'a desperate need' for them. In each instance he was given the same excuse; the dealer required no more. He was puzzled, for he was turned down weeks before those scheduled advertisements were scheduled for publication."

Does this sound familiar?



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644th MEETING

SEPTEMBER 13, 1972

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644th MEETING

BELMONT ROOM

2nd FLOOR SOUTH

PICK CONGRESS HOTEL

AUGUST MEETING NOTES

Not having attended the August 9 meeting, I am writing this account from information supplied by Wm. Pettit who presided in the absence of President Budd. Louis Nagy reported on his experiences at the July 9-15 ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs. I talked with Louis and his wife about this in New Orleans and so know that he was quite enthusiastic about the vacation-educational week. It seems that about everyone who attended (over 100 this year) was more than pleased and a number have signed up for the 1973 seminar. The available facilities at Colorado College limit attendance to around 200 and next year is expected to be a sell-out. *** Vice President Bill Pettit devised a fine coin quiz to test the knowledge of those present. The 25 questions he asked covered a wide range of numismatic subjects and supplied food for thought even to those with low scores. I'll try to include the names of exhibitors in the next issue.

NEWS FROM AND OF MEMBERS

A July 26 letter from Howard Eisenberg announces with pride that "Phyllis and I have the most beautiful son in the world, born July 24 and named Nathan Dane." Our congratulations to the Eisenbergs, who live in Madison, Wis. (53705) at 3211 Stevens St.

Gerda Birkholz had a knee operation in July from which she is recovering satisfactorily but "too slowly" for the energetic Gerda.

Gerda had a birthday Sept. 6th, Wm. Pettit the 9th, Leah Klein the 11th, and our California girl friend Ruth Green the 30th.

Cliff Lindall made a list of CCC members he saw at the recent ANA convention in New Orleans. Those living in the Chicago area were: James Budd, Dennis Forgue, Lee Hewitt, Cliff Lindall, Louis Nagy, Ben Odesser, Tom Ryan, Glenn Smedley, Peter Spadoni, Leonard Stark and Martin Vink. Others who have been active recently in the Club included

Kenneth Bressett, Michael Dolnick, Ben Drieske, Harold Klein, Joseph and Judy Lessner, Vernon and Marcella Sheldon, Arlie Slabaugh and Richard Slabaugh and Richard Yeoman. Cliff and I apologize if we omitted any who should be listed here, as we probably did through oversight only.

Time was when CCC members won exhibit awards each year at the ANA convention but I didn't see a single one among the list of winners in New Orleans.

LOOKING FORWARD

The next big event scheduled in this area is the 12th annual convention of Illinois Numismatic Assn. in Decatur, Sept / 30-Oct. 1. CCC member Don Doswell, who is exhibit chairman, ETC., reports 80 bourse tables sold and room for more in the newly opened Holiday Inn convention center. The Soy City Coin Club promises the largest state convention in the Midwest this year. The Treasury Department's "Billion Dollar Display," and a large Franklin Mint display are among the scheduled attractions. There'll be an educational program Saturday evening and a "breakfast-banquet" Sunday. Hours will be 10 to 9 Saturday and 10 to 6 Sunday. Contact Don Fisher at P.O. Box 21, Decatur, Illinois 62525.

Closer, and more important to the Club, will be the PNG show at the Congress Hotel Oct. 19-22. The Club has agreed to take part with exhibits and some form of educational feature. Since there will be only one more meeting, and it just a week in advance of the show, plans for our participation must be agreed upon at the September meeting. Please come and take part.

Louis Koncza, associated with the small but important Polish-American Numismatic Assn., is to present a slide-talk at the September 13 meeting. This promises to be an exceptional program - don't miss it.



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645th MEETING

OCTOBER 11, 1972

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645th MEETING BELMONT ROOM 2nd FLOOR SOUTH PICK CONGRESS HOTEL

SEPTEMBER MEETING NOTES

Attendance was about par (25 - 30) at the Sept. 13 meeting. Secretary Marjorie Baker being absent, Gerda Birkholz kept minutes of the proceedings. *** Approval was given to have a form letter mailed to A.N.A. members in the Chicago area, based on zip code numbers, from A.N.A. headquarters, the cost of so doing to be reimbursed by the Club. The purpose of the letter is to inform recipients of the Club's meetings and other activities, also invite them to attend a meeting and become members. *** Exhibitors were Gerda Birkholz, Harry Boosel, Glenn Smedley and Frank Zaylik.

We welcome Frank as an exhibitor and hope he becomes one of the regulars, of whom we sorely need more. *** Louis Koncza of the Polish-American Numismatic Assn. gave an excellent slide-talk on "A Thousand Years of Polish Coins." In addition to showing and describing the coins themselves, Mr. Koncza gave highlights of the changes in monetary policies and standards under various regimes and conditions, stressing the fact that the trend was always to lower the value of money. In other words, inflation is not a modern contrivance of governments.

At the close of his lucid presentation, he gave each of us a copy of a resume of the talk. *** I really goofed last month - Frank Zaylik and family and Stewart Koppel were at New Orleans AND the latter won third place in the medals class of exhibits.

DAVID ALLEN, Member 572

At the September 13 meeting, word was received that David Allen of East Chicago had died. It was learned later that he died suddenly the day before at Greene Lake, Wis., while on a fishing trip with his brother. Dave was 69 years of age and a key member of the Calumet Numismatic Club in East Chicago, which plans to establish an annual award in his memory. He was a 21-year member of the A.N.A.

We offer condolences to his widow who many of us know through attendance at East Chicago meetings from time to time.

EAR WITNESS NEWS (Apologies to Channel 7)

It was nice to have member Don Doswell at the last meeting to "plug" the IINA show in Decatur. My hat is off to Don for the work he is doing on this event.

Give your Club a helping hand by bringing a few items to the October meeting for a donated auction at a later meeting. We don't expect any \$50 slugs but need things worthwhile and desirable.

Out of towners can mail donations to the secretary or editor.

Members' birthdays in October include Frank Zaylik, 12th; Marcella Sheldon, 14th; Harry Flower, 16th; Margo Russell, 17th; Vernon Sheldon, 20th; James Grebinger, 21st; L. S. Werner, 22nd; Marjorie Baker, 26th; and, early in November, August Hausske, 6th. (Have no other recorded in November).

In the September 1941 issue of the C.C.C. Chatter, it is recorded that, among others, Lee Hewitt, Cliff Lindall and Vernon Sheldon attended the August A.N.A. convention in Philadelphia. Those three attended the New Orleans convention this year, 31 years later. It was recorded also that there were eight exhibitors at the Sept. 1921 meeting, seven at the Sept. 1926 meeting and six in Sept. 1931. Looks like our "growth" is rather erratic, to say the least!

ABOUT THE PNG SHOW

President Budd is still looking for exhibitors of from one to five case showings. I understand that each exhibitor will receive a nice medal from PNG as a memento.

Ray Byrne of Pittsburgh is scheduled to moderate the educational panel on grading. Several big-name guest panelists are promised but names aren't being revealed in advance.

In case you've forgotten, the show will be at the Pick Congress Hotel, October 20 - 23. So sorry I gave the wrong dates last month; Friday through Monday is correct, says PNG Exec. Sec'y. John Smies.



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646th MEETING

NOVEMBER 8, 1972

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646th MEETING BELMONT ROOM 2nd FLOOR SOUTH PICK CONGRESS HOTEL

OCTOBER MEETING NOTES

Several of the 33 in attendance commented that the October 11 meeting was a very interesting one. Secretary Marjorie Baker was absent due to a bad cold so Gerda Birkholz recorded the proceedings.

*** The imminent PNG show was discussed and several members promised to place exhibits at it. President Budd announced that an educational program on coin grading had been arranged with Ray Byrne of Pittsburgh as moderator and Harry Boosel as one of the panelists. *** For the first time in many years we had no keys for the exhibit cases but the following presented exhibits just the same: Gerda Birkholz, Harry Boosel, James Budd, Greg Gaskill, Gary Krug, J. Thomas Nolan, William Pettit, Glenn Smedley and Frank Zaylik.

The feature of the meeting was Dr. John Davenport's talk on collecting which he called "My Five Commandments." Most of us felt that it was the best numismatic talk we have heard in many a moon. In my own words, his five commandments were: thou shall not collect primarily for profit; thou shall not confine thy collecting to dates and mint marks; thou shall not be a condition crank; thou shall clean coins when such will improve their appearance; and thou shall not exalt at every rise in the market. His amplification of these five edicts were interesting, instructive and (sometimes) humorous. They were also provocative to the extent of eliciting a bit of discussion from the floor. Please come again soon, John.

COIN SHOWS IN OCTOBER

The IINA annual convention, held in Decatur on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, was most successful. The newly opened Holiday Inn provided an ideal setting; excellent publicity drew a surprising large attendance (fine weather helped); a 90-table bourse was

quite active; exhibits were of high-quality and varied material; the Bureau of Engraving and Printing "billion dollar exhibit" was a center of attraction; and almost every showing of the Franklin Mint's movie drew a capacity audience. A published attendance figure of 5,000 may have been exaggerated but it was most gratifying.

CCC member Don Doswell was one of the three show chairmen deserving congratulations for planning and staging a fine convention.

The October 20-23 PNG show at the Congress Hotel was a success in spite of miserably bad weather. Attendance was good Friday evening, all day Saturday and until late afternoon Sunday. Activity was noted at most dealers' tables and the "Authentication and Appraisal" table was a busy place most of the time.

I didn't attend the educational forum on grading but heard that Messrs. Byrne (moderator), Boosel, Bressett and Marena had a lively session.

The 1804 dollar, 1894-S dime and 1913 liberty head nickel exhibit, with constant police guard, was the center of attraction. However, CCC member exhibits, as follows, got good attention; Marjorie Baker's souvenir spoons and enameled coins; Philip and June Budd's U. S. paper money, large size and fractional; Gary Krug's several rare badges and decorations; Andrew Oberbillig's New Zealand coins and medals; William Pettit's 19th century German thalers; Chas. Ricard's Napoleonic medals, including two of the rare Waterloo medals by Pistrucci; and my own original works (23) of Victor D. Brenner.

Members with November birthdays include Peter Spadoni, 4th; and August Hausske, 6th. There must be others of which I have no record.

The November 8 meeting will feature non-numismatic exhibits. You who collect other items are urged to show them off, although regular exhibits will be welcome also.

Aurora Coin Club's annual show November 12, Masonic Temple, Aurora- 9 A.M. to 6 P.M.



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647th MEETING

DECEMBER 13, 1972

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647th MEETING OXFORD ROOM 1st FLOOR SOUTH PICK CONGRESS HOTEL

NOVEMBER MEETING NOTES

This was an unusually good meeting for the 27 in attendance because so many of them participated. Non-numismatic exhibits had been invited and the versatility of interests of members was interesting.

Exhibits were by Arthur Allen, Marjorie Baker, Gerda Birkholz, Harry Boosel, James Budd, Lee Hewitt, Leah Klein, Gary Krug, Richard Peterson, William Pettit, Bruno Rzepka and Glenn Smedley. An even dozen, if I didn't miss anyone. ***President Budd appointed Harry Boosel, Marjorie Baker and Frieda Schnell to the committee to nominate a slate of officers for 1973. *** Special features for the December meeting were discussed and it was decided to hold a Christmas grab bag to which each member is expected to contribute a gift, marked for man or woman, of about \$2.00 value. There will also be a donated auction, for the benefit of the Club's treasury, of items submitted recently or brought to the meeting. *** Arrangements are to be made for a dinner meeting in January, probably at the Wishing Well, 3836 N. Elston Ave., where we held our December meeting, compliments of Lee Hewitt, last year. *** After brief discussion, it was agreed that we make reservations with the Congress Hotel for our 1973 meetings.

CHATTERING

Dr. John Davenport's talk at the October meeting of the Club was the subject of a nice editorial in the November 22 COIN WORLD. Congratulations, you deserve the accolade, John.

Acclaim is due member Chester Krause also for the fine book his firm has published on Coins and Currency of Panama. A long-time student of Panamanian history and collector of its coinage, Capt. Julius Grigore, Jr., combined in an interesting manner the history and numismatics of the country whose claim to fame is the Panama Canal. The book is quite complete and lucid on the subject, is easily read, well

illustrated and a fine product of Krause Publications, Iola, Wisc., 54945. Hard cover, 202 pp., \$6.50.

Those with December birthdays include Philip More, 11th; Joseph Lessner, 18th; and Clyde Grimm, 19th.

Let's all start planning to attend the January 10 meeting (dinner meeting) at the Wishing Well Restaurant, 3836 N. Elston Ave. Details will be announced but the price will be modest and the food is good, as those who attended last year can testify.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

The committee appointed to make nominations for 1973 officers reports the following slate: President, William Pettit; First Vice President, Charles Ryant, Jr.; Second Vice President, Arthur C. Allen; Governors, Alan R. Feinberg, Lee F. Hewitt, Louis Nagy and (automatic) James R. Budd. Committee Chairman Harry Boosel reminds members that our Bylaws provide that "Any five members in good standing may, at the December meeting, file in writing with the Secretary nominations, with consent to serve, for any of the elective offices." The election will be held at the December meeting and the new officers will be inducted at the January meeting.

DECEMBER MEETING FEATURES

The final meeting of 1972 should be a lively one. There is to be a Christmas grab bag exchange of \$2 gifts between members. Please mark your gift to indicate whether it is for a man or woman.

A donated auction will be held with proceeds going to help the needy Club treasury. A list of donations made as of press time is part of or attached hereto but you may bring items (not necessarily numismatic) to the meeting. *** Finally, the Club will furnish coffee to go with cookies and/or cakes which members are expected to bring for refreshments.

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